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PASS AGRICULTURE/FAS/US-USSR SECRETARIAT

1. DURING VISIT YESTERDAY AT GOSPLAN TO MEET NEW USSR CHAIRMAN OF JOINT WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL ECONOMIC RESEARCH AND INFORMATION, ALEXANDR I. MONOV, KOVALEV OF USSR-US SECRETARIAT MINAG GAVE AGATTACHE PROGRAM FOR REF TEM BELOW. NAZARENKO ALSO PRESENT.

2. PROGRAM

MAY 17 - ARRIVE MOSCOW
MAY 18 - OPENING SESSION MINAG. DISCUSSION WITH SPECIALISTS FROM CENTRAL BOARDS OF GRAIN AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTIOON, PTITSEPROM AND GLAVZHIVPROM;

MAY 19 - MINAG., TALKS WITH CENTRAL BOARDS OF FEED, AG. CHEMICALS, CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION AND MAIN ECONOMIC PLANNING ADMINISTTATION;

MAY 20 - MIN OF PROCUREMENT, TALKS WITH ADMINISTRATION FOR GRAIN AND OILSEED PRUCHASES, TRANPORTATION AND ECONOMIC PLANNING;
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MAY 21A.M. - ALL-UNION PARK OF ECONOMIC ACHIEVEMENTS (VDNKH);
P.M. -SIGHTSEEING MOSCOW;

MAY 24 - MIN OF MACHINE BUILDING FOR LIVESTOCK AND FEED PRODUCTION;

MAY 25 - SOYUZSEL'KHOZTEKHNIKA ALL-UNION SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS;

MAY 26 - MINAG RSFSR; MIN PROCUREMENT, RSFSR.
20:20 - DEPART FOR MINSK BY TRAIN;
MAY27-JUN1 - ARRIVE MINSK; VISIT BELORUSSIAN MINAG., GOSPLAN; MIN PROCUREMENT; MIN MEAT AND DAIRY INDUSTRY;
JUNE 1 2025 - DEPART FOR MOSCOW;
JUNE 2 - ARRIVE MOSOW; VISIT GOSPLAN RSFSR;
JUNE 3-4 - VISIT GOSPLAN, USSR;
JUNE 5 - DEPART FOR U.S.

3. PROGRAM APPEARS FAIRLY SATISFACTORY EXCPT, FOR EXAMPLE, VISIT TO BELOR, SSR INSTEAD OF UKRAINE REPUBLIC. CATCH IS THAT MONOV STATED THAT DETAILED 76-80 PLANS ARE NOW IN PROCESS OF FORMULATION FOR PRESENTATION IN NOVEMBER TO COUNCIL OF MINSTERS AND THAT IT WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE TO GIVE THE U.S. TEAM INFORMATION IN SUCH DRFAT PLANS. HE INDICATED THAT TEAMS INVESTIGATIONS WOULD CONCENTRATE ON PLANNING METHODOLOGY. AGATTACHE AGREED THAT THIS WAS IMPORTANT, BUT THAT IT ALSO IMPORTANT TO GET QUANTITATIVE UNDERSTANDING OF CURRENT SITUATION AND TRENDS, IF ONLY IN DRAFT.

4. MONOV REPLIED THAT THIS WOULD, OF COURSE, BE POSSIBLE IN DECEMBER AFTER COUNCIL OF MINISTERS APPROVES PLANS. WHEN PRESSED HARD AS TO WHAT QUANTA WOULD BE AVAILABLE NOW, HE SPECIFIED DATA ON PLANTED ACREAGE AND CONDITION OF CROPS.

5. OBTAINING IN MAY STATISTICAL OVERVIEW OF USSR SITUATION AND OUTLOOK MAY, THEREFORE, BE DIFFICULT. SEEMS UNLIKELY THAT SOVIET PLANNERS IN THESE MEETINGS WOULD BE NUMBERLESS, BUT IT IS NOT AT ALL IMPOSSIBLE.

6. AGATTACHE ADVISED MONOV THAT WE WOULD REPORT PROGRAM AND
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DISCUSSION TO WASHINGTON IMMEDIATELY AND OBTAIN YOUR REACTION.
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